

## FLORIDA TOPICS

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all Sections  
of the State

One hundred horses are now stabled at the Tampa track awaiting the opening of the midwinter meeting, January 2. Workmen have been engaged for some time putting track and buildings in the best of conditions. New arrivals are noted daily.

Eight miles of grading from Haines City south has been completed, and two miles of track laid so that a construction train can now be employed. At that rate the grading of the road-bed should be completed to Avon Park by September 1st, 1911.

Shipments of cigars from Tampa for the week ending December 10 were 1,745,000. For the expired portion of the year to that date they were 191,490,000 as against 233,155,000 for the same period of last year—a falling off of 51,665,000.—Tampa Times.

After discussing ways and means of holding the Dade county fair, the association proceeded to the election of officers, with the following result: President—J. C. Baile; Secretary—E. V. Blackman; Treasurer—J. I. Wilson. Another meeting of the association will be held early in January to make the final arrangements.

E. A. Theld, lately of Cleveland, Ohio, has purchased the grove of Frank Harrison, of Coconut Grove, and will occupy it as his Florida home. The grove is a beautiful one, containing four and one-half acres of land, and the trees are all in excellent condition. There is on the place a very comfortable house, in which Mr. Theld will make his home while here. The price paid for this fine property was \$15,000.

The big sawmill of the Summer Lumber company at Zuber, seven miles north of Ocala, was burned last week. The fire was evidently caused by sparks from a passing train. It was one of the biggest mills in Florida and the loss is about \$100,000, on which there is \$97,000 insurance. T. N. Summer, president of the company, says the mill will be rebuilt at once, though on a somewhat smaller scale.

Through Congressman Clark 7,000 employees of the Atlantic Coast Line have petitioned congress for no reduction of freight and passenger rates by this benevolent corporation. Really does any person of common sense believe for a moment that this was a voluntary act upon the part of the employees, most of whom knowing that the present rates are outrageous? They were asked to sign the petition, and if there is one who refused he will be looking for another job soon. Clark should have dumped the petition in the waste basket.—Ex.

Col. A. V. Long will be the next State's Attorney for the Eighth Judicial Circuit of Florida, the appointment having been made Thursday shortly before noon by Governor Gilchrist. Col. Long is one of the best known attorneys in Middle Florida, and has long been a resident of Starke, Bradford county. He has had previous experience as a prosecuting attorney, having been designated to fill the unexpired term of Col. Calhoun, whose death occurred several years ago. Col. Long will immediately assume the duties of the office, as a special term of court has been called for Alachua county in early February, at which time several murder cases will be considered.

Charged in an indictment recently returned by the Federal grand jury with knowingly, wilfully and fraudulently allowing overdrafts to the amount of \$18,577 by false entry of books for the use, benefit and advantage of the Palatka Cooperage Company, with intent to defraud the Putnam National Bank, of Palatka, of which he was, at the time, cashier, and rendering a certain false report of the condition of the finances of the institution to the Comptroller of the Currency, T. B. Merrill, appeared before the clerk of the United States Court last week and furnished bond fixed in the sum of \$1,000 by Judge Locke.

While driving train No. 24, of the Atlantic Coast Line, near Winter Garden, early Christmas Eve, Engineer W. H. Burke, one of the oldest and best known men in the service, was shot and instantly killed by an unknown man, who fired at the train as it was passing. Conductor Christey took the train to Triby, where officers were notified and are now making a thorough search. As Burke is not known to have had any enemies it is believed that the shot was fired by some drunken man who thought it would be fun to shoot up a train. The company is offering \$200 reward for the arrest of the guilty party. Burke leaves a wife and two children.

Having completed arrangements for the Chautauqua to be held at Lakeland in February, Prof. C. Rucker Adams left on Saturday for Kentucky. He will return in January to perfect the details of the enterprise.

Having pleaded guilty to the charge of robbing the postoffice at New Augustine, William de Medicis, a young white man, was yesterday afternoon sentenced by Judge James W. Locke to serve a term of eighteen months in the Federal Prison in Atlanta, Ga.

Mrs. H. Hollister, of Arcadia, met with a serious and painful accident while at work in the Arcadia steam laundry, which resulted in the loss of her right hand. In some way Mrs. Hollister had her hand caught in some of the machinery which mashed and mangled it to such an extent that amputation was necessary.

The big appropriation carried by the rivers and harbors bill insures Tampa plenty of money to continue and complete the improvements now under way there making that one of the greatest ports in the United States. The bill passed the House by a large majority, and is expected to be passed by the Senate when it comes before that body.

The Florida Citrus Exchange announces that its returns for fruit shipped to market up to December 10 were more than 50 per cent. higher per box than for the same period of last year. It also announces that it will act for a limited number of crops of celery and tomatoes from the Manatee sub-district. It is the purpose to gradually take on more of these outside branches of business until the entire field is covered.

Senator Hudson is probably the first automobilist to run over an alligator with his machine. Coming down the county road the other day, the senator discovered a sizable alligator sunning itself squarely across the track. The senator tried to avoid the saurian, but the reptile would's have it that way, and was badly mugged up by the tires. It also died. Thus does Dade county keep ahead of the procession in doing things first.—Miami Herald.

Judge J. B. Wall has handed down a decision in the case of the friendly suit instituted by the city of Lakeland and the County School Board to test the validity of the bonds in the sum of \$25,000 for school purposes issued by the city of Lakeland. The case now goes to the Supreme Court, and if favorable decision is also secured there, the cloud that has prevented the sale of the bonds will be removed and the proposed school improvements can be effected.

Married three months ago in this city as the culmination of a courtship of three weeks and apparently in the midst of a very happy honeymoon, Mrs. Ivey O. Hasrell, 21 years of age, brought her life to a close recently with a bullet sent through her heart. She died three minutes afterward, declaring herself alone responsible for the decision to take her own life and giving no reason for this determination. She left no note or letter as an explanation.—Tampa Tribune.

Doyle E. Carlton met with a painful accident recently while helping to gather a bunch of cattle west of town. While riding rapidly after an unruly animal in rounding a bunch of palmettos he came across a fallen tree. The tree was high enough from the ground to make a big jump for the horse but at the gait he was going there was nothing to do but let the horse clear the tree. The horse would have successfully done this but just as he leaped the cow turned and got in the way and the horse attempted to jump both tree and cow and in the mixup the horse fell on Mr. Carlton. He is severely bruised but it is hoped he will soon be able to be out again.—Wauchula Advocate.

J. H. Nelson, of Jacksonville, has been appointed general superintendent of the Florida East Coast Railway, with headquarters at St. Augustine. The Times-Union says: Mr. Nelson, at present is manager of the Jacksonville Terminal Company, which position he has held for the past three years. He is recognized as a railroad official of splendid capacity, and his selection to fill this responsible post of duty with the Florida East Coast, which position is created in the organization with the appointment is a sterling testimonial to his worth as a transportation official. Prior to his residence in Jacksonville, Mr. Nelson was superintendent of the Queen & Crescent Route with headquarters in Chattanooga.

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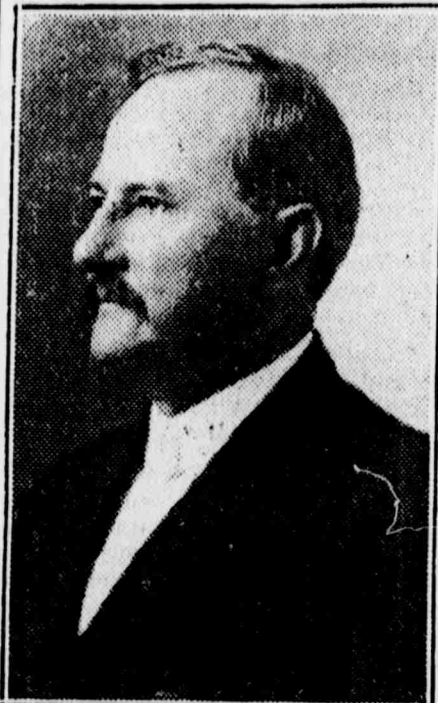
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Dear Sir: You will proceed to collect the drainage taxes assessed for the year A. D. 1908 from each and all persons, firms, or corporations, according to the assessment roll of that year, and in order to facilitate the collection thereof you should publish notice that the drainage taxes for 1908 must be paid to you within thirty days from above date, and that further time will be allowed on such taxes for 1909 and 1910.

In accordance with the above order, I will immediately proceed to collect the drainage tax for 1908, assessed against property subject to this tax in St. Lucie county. FRANK M. TYLER, Tax Collector.

### IN COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE, STATE OF FLORIDA.

In re Estate of J. W. MOSIER Deceased. St. Lucie County

To all Creditors, Legatees, Distributees and all Persons having Claims or demands against said Estate: You, and each of you, are hereby notified and required to present any claims and demands which you, or either of you, may have against the estate of J. W. Mosier, deceased, late of St. Lucie county, Florida, to the undersigned executor of said estate, within two years from the date hereof.

Dated at Jensen, Florida, October 1, A. D. 1910. W. R. HARDER, A. R. MOSIER, Executors.

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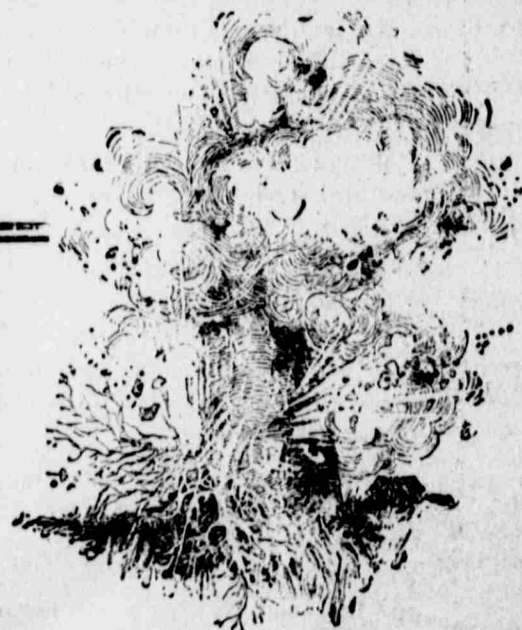
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